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Georgia State University Library Hosts Women in Politics, STEM Events

On Thursday, April 27, 2017, Georgia State University (GSU) Library hosted two events intended to empower and inspire future leaders in two fields in which women are significantly underrepresented—politics and STEM.

The Georgia Women's Movement Project Spring Event is held annually to highlight collections in the Georgia State University Library Women and Gender Collections, and to celebrate the lives of the unsung heroines of the women's movement in Georgia. The 2017 event brought together four female panelists currently active in Georgia politics: Anna Beck, executive director of Georgia's WIN List (a political action committee devoted to the protection of reproductive rights in Georgia);



Park Cannon, Nan Orrock, and Jan Selman

Park Cannon, the youngest member of the Georgia House of Representatives; Senator Nan Orrock, founder of the bipartisan Georgia Women's Legislative Caucus and president of Women Legislators' Lobby; and Jan Selman, a founding member of NewPowerPAC (a

nonpartisan political action committee whose mission is to empower, endorse, and elect qualified women to local office in Georgia). The event was hosted and organized by Morna Gerrard, archivist for the GSU Women and Gender Collections.

On the same evening, three of the library's subject specialist librarians hosted high

school-aged members of the Atlanta organization [Women In Technology](#), which supports the advancement of women in STEM fields. GSU Librarian Mandy Swygart-Hobaugh showcased data science careers by demonstrating how to map and visualize Twitter data with Tableau and NVivo. Business



Data Services Librarian Ximin Mi took the students on a worldwide vacation through a combination of Google Maps and a Vive virtual reality headset and discussed the future of virtual reality, computer science, and tech jobs. Kelsey Jordan, librarian for biology, chemistry, neuroscience, and biomedical sciences, led a “live” drawing workshop on medical illustration and health careers, featuring a real human heart, liver, and kidneys.

Georgia State University Library Welcomes Kelsey Jordan, Science Librarian

Kelsey Jordan joined Georgia State University Library’s Research and Engagement team in April of this year. Ms. Jordan supports research, teaching, and learning for science faculty and students in biology, chemistry, the Neuroscience Institute, and the Institute for Biomedical Sciences at Georgia State University.

Stemming from her background in biology and medical illustration, she is also exploring the contributions the library can make to science visualization in research and the classroom. Ms.



Jordan earned her Master of Science in Biomedical Visualization from the University of Illinois at Chicago in 2016 and completed her BS in Biology and BFA in Scientific Illustration at the University of Georgia in 2013.